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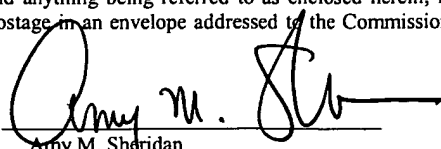
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Foreign Patent Documents

1. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2000-207304), Applicant: Fujitsu Ltd., published on 28 July 2000 (with English language abstract);
2. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2001-034410), Applicant: Matsushita Electric Ind. Co. Ltd., published on 9 February 2001 (with English language abstract);
3. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2000-172392), Applicant: Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corporation (NTT), published on 23 June 2000 (with English language abstract);
4. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2001-228794), Applicant: Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corporation (NTT), published on 24 August 2001 (with English language abstract);
5. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2002-202943), Applicant: Square Co. Ltd., published on 19 July 2002 (with English language abstract);
6. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2001-236162), Applicant: Sony Computer Entertainment Inc., published on 31 August 2001 (with English language abstract);
7. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 2001-084441), Applicant: Matsushita Refrig. Co. Ltd., published on 30 March 2001 (with English language abstract); and
8. Unexamined Japanese Patent Application (Publication No. JP 10-261099), Applicant: Casio Computer Co. Ltd., published on 29 September 1998 (with English language abstract).

Other Documents

8. Goto et al., "Capture Guide First Volume for Sakura Taisen 3—is Paris burning?-",
SOFTBANK Publishing Co., First Edition, May 17, 2001, Page 51.

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Copies of the above-listed documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed.

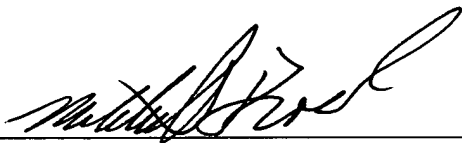
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